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HONGKONG, MARCH 9TH, 1908

That some occult influence has been at work in Peking to render nugatory the efforts of those who are seeking to restore China to her place and influence amongst the nations is becoming from day to day more evident. The powers of reaction have won a noteworthy victory in the provinces of Chehkiang and Kiangsu, with the result that these two provinces, formerly looked upon as the best ordered in the Empire, have for the last two years attained an unenviable reputation for disorder and violence. In the north this condition is always associated with the former Taotai YUAN of Shanghai, who was so unpleasantly connected with the plot to destroy the Foreign Settlements, and who, instead of being punished as a traitor, has in the face of his crimes, not only against the foreigner, but in direct contumacy to the Government at Peking, actually been promoted to substantive office, and appointed to the important post of Senior Vice-president of the Board of Civil Administration, a post which gives him opportunities of paralyzing on their way to the provinces the orders of the central Government itself. Common report has it that on one occasion, not many months ago, the old Viceroy CHANG CHIN-TUNG was bold enough in the presence of the Empress Dowager to mention the existence of the eunuchs about the Palace. Such a thing, especially in the presence of the Dowager Tzai Hs, of course

partook almost of high treason, and an instantaneous glance from Her Majesty, prevented the sentence being concluded. There is, however, some reason for the belief that the rapid promotion of YUAN Taotai, is not altogether unconnected with this little episode, and that YUAN, whose predilection for suspicious alliances is notorious, is at the moment posing at the Court as their mouthpiece. We have already on more than one occasion, had occasion to allude to his suspicious connection with the Salt Smugglers of the Hangchow Bay who (as is well known) under powerful official patronage have actually become a competitor with the Peking Government itself in the administration of the two provinces; and since YUAN's promotion it is notorious not only that their depredations have increased, but that they have been carried on with increasing immunity. Meanwhile the local officials are paralysed by contrary orders. The official orders instruct them to exterminate the Smugglers, while private instructions, coupled with their own instincts, prompt them to temporise, which to an official indicates a chance of hush money not to be lightly thrown away. So the local officials find themselves accordingly blind to the whole affair, and carefully wait till on each occasion an emissary from the plundered craft comes to inform them that pirates are about, when the news is received with well affected incredulity, and an official launch sent to "make enquiries." The Shanghai Mercury thus writes on the subject: "Piracy is rampant, and the authorities, if they can be called such who have no authority, are helpless. We were told some weeks ago that an army was on its way southward for the express purpose of dealing with the salt smugglers and other rascals of Chehkiang and Kiangsu. Where are they? Probably the local officials have had their own way, and the efficient northerners have been effectually countermanded. The local officials would have had to bear the expense of the invaders, their own forces would have lost face, and one can never tell—there is every possibility that certain official receipts might have disappeared before such a radical cure as was suggested. Be this as it may, there is no diminution of crime so far as we can discover, and the question arises:—What is to be done about it? Now there is no doubt from the entire current of affairs that the greater part of this is correct; but it is not the whole truth. The provincial officials for the most part would, we believe, willingly wash their hands of the whole affair, which is seriously interfering with the finances of the country. True, they are not above taking advantage of the circumstances to fill up the gap by accepting hush money; but it is only fair to look at the matter from the provincial's point of view before condemning him too hastily. He has had to pay heavily for his office, the emoluments of which are pretty closely watched at Peking. But besides this, which may be called the regular contribution which goes towards supporting the Court proper, there are extra squeezes which go to support the Court improper, i.e. the eunuchs and their belongings, which under the present regime is no light matter, including as it does not only the eunuchs, but all the irregular expenses of the Empress Dowager. Now in the majority of instances the official has had to borrow heavily for his post, this lending of money to officials on appointment being considered quite honourable, and constituting a very important branch of banking; and should he after appointment fail to repay his indebtedness on this score, he is for ever afterwards looked upon as a defaulter, and has no hope of ever obtaining another appointment. This is the terror that ever hangs over the provincial official, whose whole life is occupied in keeping square, on the one hand with the faction in power in Peking, and on the other with his creditors, who, he knows by too many instances among his friends, will have no mercy on him should he once make default. Now of late years, instead of the expenses of her irregular Court diminishing with the advancing years of the Empress Dowager, they have actually with the ever growing greed of her eunuchs been passing out of bounds; and the more the provincial is squeezed by the powers above him, the more is he driven to have recourse to devious ways. Now it is notorious that it is by ways such as these that YUAN SHUNSU has contrived to make himself acceptable to the Court, regular or irregular, and this of course, is the secret of his recent promotion. The better officials feel the degradation of having thus to pander to the iniquities of the Court, and many of them would gladly hail reform. The whole system is, however, so utterly rotten from its foundation upwards that no one can pretend that amidst

the general corruption he himself is pure; and the justest are so entangled in the alms surrounding themselves, that none are found able to stretch out a helping hand to their neighbours. As we have often pointed out, reform to open the way must begin at the top, and nothing short of the purification of the Court can be effective in stemming the current of corruption. This is just what the present advisers of the Court—men for instance like YUAN SHUNSU—who live on its corruptions, are not likely to do. Meanwhile the provinces, disgusted at the conduct of those who ought to be their betters, but are not, are growing uneasy, and organised marauders like the Salt Smugglers of the Hangchow Bay are reaping a rich harvest. It is evident that such a state of affairs cannot long continue, and that the overbalanced ship of state, unless taken in hand, must quickly founder; but what is that to the present leaders? If it last their time, is not that sufficient; why take thought for to-morrow? It is interesting to find that the present rulers have commenced to consult the Prince CHUN. Prince CHUN, so far, seems to have kept himself free from the surrounding corruption, but is he strong enough to undertake the rescue of the State? On that slender thread seems to rest the future stability of the Empire. He cannot be Emperor without offending the oldest religious instincts of the State, but his son with himself as Regent may; but in any case the present regime has proved its utter incapacity for further rule, and the sooner the replacement is made the better for China.

The Government Gazette contains the rules for the Kowloon and Victoria British school.

Mr. and Mrs. Templeton, who are going home on holiday, were entertained to dinner by the Taikoo Sugar Refinery staff on Saturday night.

No less than 133 candidates, of whom 7 are girls, paid entrance fees for the Oxford Local examination to be held next July. Last year there were 104.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by 2nd Lieutenant F. O. Reynolds, of his Commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

An order has been made by the Governor-in-Council that sections 90 and 91 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance 1903 shall, from 2nd March, apply to the island of Cheung Chan in the New Territories.

Mr. William A. Sundheimer, the travelling representative of the Ardath Tobacco Company, who is now in Singapore, expects to reach Hongkong on the 20th inst. with a full range of his Company's products.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Dr. W. W. Pearce, Assistant Medical Officer of Health, to act as Medical Officer of Health and Superintendent of Statistics, during the absence on leave of Dr. F. W. Clark, with effect from the 9th instant.

During February the hottest day was the 29th, when the temperature stood at 75.3, and there were 7.2 hours of sunshine. The total sunshine for the month was 87.4 hours. The coldest day was the 20th, the glass being 50.1. There were 2,830 inches of rain during the month.

Agents, managers, secretaries, and other officers of companies carrying on life insurance business within this Colony are requested to communicate with the Registrar of Companies without delay with a view to compliance with the Life Insurance Companies Ordinance, 1907.

A regulation of the Governor-in-Council renders necessary that all arms or ammunition kept or stored in the Colony or being moved therein by any importer of, or dealer in, or vendor of, arms or ammunition, if in boxes or closed packages, must have the number or quantity contained therein clearly marked on the outside of each box or package in English.

It is notified in the Gazette that under the St. John's Cathedral Church Ordinance the following were at a meeting of ex-soldiers and subscribers held on Jan. 28th elected lay members of the Church Body:—Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Messrs. W. Armstrong, A. Bryer, H. R. B. Hancock, E. Ormiston, and H. W. Slade. Mr. J. C. Peter was elected auditor.

A ex-lakong was by Mr. Gompertz on Saturday committed to take his trial for attempted robbery. With another man he is said to have attacked an Indian watchman, thrown pepper in his eyes, and attempted to rifle his pockets but the interference of a European prevented this being carried out. The watchman usually carried a considerable amount of money.

Returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong during the month ended 29th February, 1908, as certified by the managers of the respective banks.

Banks.	Average Amount of Bank Notes in Circulation.	Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.	4,021,572	3,000,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.	16,391,349	11,000,000
National Bank of China, Limited.	344,641	150,000
Total.	\$26,757,562	14,150,000

It is notified that information has been received from the Military Authorities that gun practice will be carried out as under:—
From Monday, the 9th, to Friday, the 13th March:—From Mt. Parker and District in a southerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 10.30 a.m., and finishing at 4 p.m., daily. On Saturday, the 14th March:—From Stonecutters in a westerly direction, at ranges up to 4,000 yards, commencing at 2.30 p.m., and finishing at 6 p.m. On Monday, the 16th March:—From Stonecutters in a westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 7 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m. If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day. All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

Rumours respecting a further increase by the Bank of Japan of the bank-rate are becoming more insistent. The "Japan Chronicle" is informed that bankers in Osaka generally appear to admit the course to be inevitable in order to prevent the exodus of gold. Such a measure is necessary for strengthening the basis of the note system of the Bank of Japan, and it can also be used to prevent a financial crisis. It is necessary at the present juncture that money should be advanced freely to businesses of sound standing, but bank-rates now always rank higher than the official rates of the Bank of Japan. The consequence is that the banks borrow from the national bank, and make advances to their clients, pocketing the difference in rate of interest. Banks are thus induced to make advances with less care than should be observed, and the increase in the rate of the Bank of Japan will prevent this.

The Osaka Asahi is again attacking the commercial morality of English manufacturers. It alleges that cotton spinners and weavers in Japan have been subjected to considerable difficulty on account of the delay in the delivery of machinery ordered from well-known English makers of spinning and weaving machinery. Between the second half of 1916 and last year the spinning industry made marked progress, the total number of spindles during the period, by extension of works or the formation of new companies, increasing by 300,000, machinery for which was ordered from England. The contracted time for the delivery of the machinery representing some five million yen in value, expired over six months ago, and yet the machinery has not arrived. The Osaka journal ascribes the delay in delivery to the fact that the English contractors accepted more orders than they could accept owing to the remarkable activity in the spinning and weaving industry in Europe and America during the past three years. It makes some strong comments on the lack of integrity shown in taking orders which could not be executed.

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RUSSIA AND THE FAR EAST.

All sorts of rumours as to imminent complications between the Far East and the despatch of large reinforcements to Transbaikalia have been rife (says a St. Petersburg message). Suspicion has naturally been aroused in many quarters that these stories constitute a manoeuvre inspired by the supporters of the big navy schemes. But from careful inquiry there appears to be some genuine basis for apprehension with regard to the relations between China and Japan, and that Russia therefore thinks it wise to be on her guard. Japan's action in regard to Manchuria is being watched very closely by Russian diplomacy, and it is believed that the recent publication of the Russian Orangebook, though giving only the briefest possible summary of the negotiations which led up to the Russo-Japanese treaty, was intended to convey a gentle reminder to Tokyo that Japan has by treaty pledged herself to the integrity of China, and the open door in Manchuria. 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FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG CLUB V. CAMERONS.
The drawn game which resulted in the previous meeting of the Hongkong Club and "H" Company of the Camerons in the 8th field competition led to anticipations of a stirring match at the Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon. But the expected did not happen. The Club was decidedly the better team, and though the Camerons struggled bravely on, they were completely outplayed. The composition of the Club team had undergone a change, a change which spoiled improvement, but the same could not be said regarding the differences made in the "olders" team. Kicking off with the sun and wind against them, the Club became early aggressive and it was soon evident that victory would be theirs. Their forwards were taller and speedier and smarter on the ball than the Cameron front line and their tactics were superior. Their combination was effective and they were fortunate whenever any fancy play was attempted, because it invariably came off. Their front rank was well fed by the halves while the backs were always where they were wanted. On the other hand the Camerons never seemed to be able to do anything. Their lack of speed was a great handicap and their long kicking failed to tell when it was not supported with rushing forwards. Had it not been for their strong defense, their two capable backs who saved time (after time, the score against them would have been higher. As it was the Camerons were never really dangerous but once in the first half, though on the other hand the goals scored by Williams and Weston were rather soft. Not that the Club had worked for the points but on those occasions the goalkeeper might have done better. He had not the same opportunity when Eager beat him for the third time. Half-time arrived with the score—Club, 3 goals; Camerons, nil.

The second half opened with the Camerons decidedly aggressive and it looked as if they were going to reduce the lead of the civilians, but their efforts came to nought, and the Club got away again and scored through Eager. After that play became uninteresting and the result was: Club, 4 goals, Camerons nil.

The teams were: Camerons—Fraser, Edmondson and Lumsden; Cameron, Priest and Hennessy; Jamieson and Blake; Fagan; Jerome and McGuire. Club—F. H. Kew; E. F. Anstott and E. Humphreys; L. J. Wishart, J. Hall, and A. Gregory; W. H. Williams, O. Eger, J. Mead, W. McG. Weston and R. R. Turner. Referee, Lieut. Mullins, R.N.

LAWN BOWLS.

A match for spoons was played on Saturday afternoon at the Cosmopolitan Dock between Quarry Bay and the Dock teams, six men aside, for spoons. An interesting competition resulted in the victory of the home men by 60 to 52. The Dock players were Messrs. McGlashan, Nicholson, Ramsay (skip), Fisher, Hanson and Miller, and the Quarry Bay representatives were Messrs. Pirie, Dickie, Currie (skip), Dinning, Hardwick and another. The spoons were afterwards presented to the winning team by Mrs. McGlashan.

YACHTING.

Dr. Clark, the commodore of the Corinthian Yacht Club, was entertained to dinner on the eve of his departure for England by several members of the Club. Complimentary references were made to the doctor's services and he was presented with a large framed photograph of the club house. After dinner there was a discussion on types of boats and Dr. Hays of Stain, who was present, said he would give \$300 to the Committee of the Club as a prize for the member who designed the boat most suitable to the club and for racing in Hongkong.

HOCKEY.

The United Service Recreation Club will be "At Home" this afternoon, on the occasion of their hockey match against Canton. The following will represent the U.S.R.C.—Back, Captain Collingwood, (R.A.M.C.); Lieut. J. Isaacson, (R.N.); and Lieut. J. F. (R.N.); halves, Lieut. A. H. Paxton, (R.E.); Lieut. E. W. Waller, (R.A.); and Captain Price, (R.A.); forwards, Lieut. R. S. Seccombe, (R.E.); Lieut. G. F. C. White, (R.A.); Lieut. E. N. Kinn, (A.S.C.); Lieut. C. H. Satterthwaite, (R.E.); and Lieut. C. R. Mullins (R.M.L.I.).

"VIOLENT REMOVAL."

GERMAN SOCIALISTS "GLOAT OVER THE REICHSTAG."
If the "Express" Correspondent at Berlin is to be trusted in his message dated February 4th (just received) our charitable view of the Reichstag Socialists' conduct will require revision. He says:

The Socialist newspapers of Germany have supplemented the demonstration of the Reichstag deputies in the Reichstag in favor of the King and Crown Prince of Portugal as an heroic deed.

The "Vorwärts," the Berlin organ of the Socialist party, publishes a leading article in which it ostentatiously avoids referring to the event of Saturday as a murder or crime. The double assassination is represented as being "punishment," and "violent removal." It is described as "proof that government against the will of a nation cannot remain unopposed." Another leading Socialist organ, the "Leipziger Volkszeitung," absolutely gloats over the assassinations. Articles in the Socialist Press throughout Germany clearly reveal that German Socialists regard this atrocious crime as a just, legitimate act.

At the last moment some changes have been made in the composition of the Portuguese Ministry, its final constitution being as follows:

Premier and Minister of the Interior: Viscount Admiral Ferreira de Amaral.

Minister of Justice: Senhor Campos Henriques.

Minister of Marine: Senhor Augusto Castilho.

Minister for Foreign Affairs: Senhor Vasco de Lima.

Minister of War: Senhor Sebastião Telles.

Minister of Finance: Senhor Repugnante.

Minister of Public Works: Senhor Carlos Negalho.

HONGKONG MILLING COMPANY.

The third ordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Milling Company Limited, was held at the Company's Office, King's Building on Saturday. Mr. A. H. Rennie, president, and there were present Sir Paul Chater, Mr. E. Shellin, H. N. Mody (directors), Messrs. J. Orange, H. Percy Smith, A. H. Ough, F. R. Chard, N. Kobayashi, W. Hughes, Hon. Mr. Wei Yui, Tin Lan Kok, Leung Koon Tai.

The notice convening the meeting having been read.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen, The report and accounts to the end of 1907 have now been in your hands for the past 10 or 12 days, and with your permission, I will take them as read. I hope you will agree with me that the result of the working is satisfactory for the first year of a Company such as this, which introduces a new industry into the Colony. The conditions throughout the year have been distinctly unfavorable, the large stocks of American and Australian flour, which amounted to over 5,000,000 bags in 1907, having exercised a very depressing effect on our prices, which are much below the level justified by the advances in wheat. The outlook for the current year is more promising; the demand for our product continues so strong that we have difficulty in keeping pace with it. As stated in the Directors' Report, our fee plan will be in running order by the beginning of April. The Hongkong Ice Company have contracted to take the whole of our output for a period of ten years, and we anticipate that this branch of our business will prove very profitable. I am glad to say that everything is going smoothly at the mills; our Diesel engines and milling plant are in perfect condition, and there is no sickness among our employees.

A profit of \$181,262.76 in the first eleven months of our working proves that we have established the business on a sound basis, and I confidently believe that at our next meeting we will be in a position to propose a handsome distribution of profits, but in view of the facts that it was our first working year and that we are still expending a considerable amount on capital account, my Directors recommend that we pay off our debit of \$77,084.57 and carry forward \$82,768.09 to credit of this year's account, which, I trust, will meet with your approval. I now beg to move that the report and statement of accounts at 31st December 1907, be received, approved, and adopted.

Mrs. ORANGE, in seconding, said: I have had a great deal of experience in commencing new companies but I think that this is almost the first occasion to my knowledge that a debit of \$77,000 has been transferred into a credit of \$82,000 in the short space of about eleven months. It may be said that this debit of \$77,000 should not have been put to working account but should have been put to the capital account, because I cannot understand how a company which has not started working can have a working account. Of course it comes to the same thing. I look to the \$77,000 as really a writing off of the capital and in that way it must be considered a very handsome writing off from a capital of only \$1,000,000 and machinery which is put down at \$41,000. The result is that the new company starts after this writing off on the first year with a credit of \$82,000. I think that is a matter of great congratulation, especially to the very energetic manager (applause), with whom I have had close and intimate connections since the commencement of the buildings. I have never come across such an energetic and capable individual as Mr. Rennie, who does not seem to know the meaning of the word "cannot." Difficulties seem to vanish before him. If you go, as I think shareholders ought to go now and then to look at the factory, you will be astonished at the cleanliness, order and neatness in a manufactory which, as a rule, is not particularly noted for cleanliness, at least so far as my experience at home was concerned. I always found that a flour mill was one of the dirtiest concerns that could be met with. This place at Junk Bay is a model of neatness and the smiling faces and alertness of the Chinese I think will astonish anyone who has been accustomed to manufactories in Hongkong. With these few words I beg to second the adoption of the report.

The CHAIRMAN proposed, and Mr. PERCY SMITH seconded, the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. Shellin as director. Carried.

On the motion of Mr. OUGH, seconded by the Hon. Mr. WEI YUI, Sir Paul Chater and Mr. Mody were re-elected directors.

Mr. H. Percy Smith was re-elected auditor on the proposition of Mr. OUGH, seconded by Mr. Mody.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report for presentation to shareholders at the twenty-first ordinary annual meeting, to be held at the City Hall on March, 11th 1908 reads as follows:—

The Directors beg to submit to shareholders their report with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1907.

The profit on working was \$350,390.37 as compared with \$47,693.17 in 1906, being a decrease of \$302,697.20.

The balance at credit of Profit and Loss account, after paying interim dividend of 4 per cent, and including \$3,479.91 brought forward from last year, is \$173,832.21 which it is proposed to appropriate as follows:—

Directors' and Auditors' fees..... \$10,000.00
Final dividend of 3 per cent..... 59,796.00
Transfer to Depreciation and Repairs..... 90,000.00
Transfer to Insurance fund..... 10,000.00
Carry forward to new account..... \$3,668.81

173,832.21

BUSINESS. In almost all branches of the business there was a falling off, the most marked being in stocks of Yarn which fell below the average of some years past.

PROPERTY. The exchange of land with Government was completed, a sum of \$10,261.65 being received for the difference in area of the land exchanged. The floors of the principal godowns have been raised well above high water mark, doors and roofs strengthened, and the damage caused by the 1905 typhoon generally made good. The Prawn wall has been underpinned from end to end, the face of its foundations strengthened.

WHARVES. No. 2 Wharf, the Ferry Wharf and one small Wharf have been rebuilt, and are now practically new. The Shores Wharf has been enlarged and the sea-bed round the wharves cleared of typhoon debris and deepened so as to afford five berths for large vessels drawing 25 to 27 feet. West Point Wharf was rebuilt.

RAILWAYS. New rails (including steam crane rails) have been laid the whole length of the Prawn thus greatly facilitating the working of cargo.

LAUNCHES have all been placed in thorough repair and their Engines renewed. A new launch, the "Albatross," was acquired.

LIGHTERS have been repaired throughout and steam cranes fitted to three large ones for delivering railway material at Canton.

MACHINERY. A 20-ton locomotive engine for loading heavy timber was acquired, a 10-ton engine for pile driving, a portable hand crane and a second hand 5-ton locomotive crane. Also a steel travelling passenger gangway for No. 3 Wharf.

Typhoon of 18th September, 1906. The actual expenditure to the 31st December, 1907, was—

On new lighters and launches necessary for carrying on the work..... \$328,602.60
On rebuilding wharves and improving the property..... 141,779.87
On repairs and sundries..... 207,759.58

\$678,142.05

DIRECTORS.

The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Mr. E. Goss, Mr. A. Haupt, Mr. N. A. Nishe and Mr. D. M. Nisim resigned on leaving the Colony. The Hon. Mr. H. Kewick, Mr. G. Friedman, Mr. A. Fuchs, Mr. E. Shellin and Mr. A. S. Chater stood the Board, and their appointments require confirmation.

Mr. G. H. McDermott and Mr. C. R. Lenzmann retire in rotation, according to the Articles of Association, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS. Messrs. W. H. Potts and O. D. Gourdin have audited the accounts now presented and offer themselves for re-election.

HENRY KESWICK, Chairman.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1908.

BALANCE SHEET.

To 31st December, 1907.

To capital, 40,000 fully paid..... \$2,000.00
Less 136 shares not issued..... 6,800

1,993,200.00

To new capital called up Dec. 31, 1907..... 924,482.00
To estate of G. Sharp (deceased)..... 150,651.00

To mortgage..... 550,000.00
To reserve fund..... 40,000.00

To Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation..... 634,085.50
To depreciation and repairs account..... 26,846.55

To unclaimed dividends..... 10,187.00
To accounts payable..... 329,970.81

To directors and auditors' fees..... 59,796.00
To final dividend..... 4,556.31

To profit and loss account, balance..... \$4,730,515.76

Dec. 31, 1907. ASSETS. \$

By value of land and buildings at Kowloon as per last account..... \$3,170,631.24
since expended on new buildings..... 55,033.41

3,225,664.72

less received from Government for exchange of land..... 10,261.65

value of Wharves at Kowloon as per last account..... 147,351.03
since expended on new wharves..... 88,354.19

value of railways and rolling stock at Kowloon as per last account..... 63,830.00
since expended on new rails, etc..... 27,170.61

value of launches as per last account..... 57,550.00
since expended on new launch..... 13,492.50

value of lighters as per last account..... 307,020.88
since expended on new lighters..... 188,161.73

value of machinery and plant as per last account..... 105,723.10
since expended on new machinery, etc..... 32,045.49

value of sheer legs as per last account..... 3,000.00
value of land and buildings at West Point as per last account..... 263,148.88
value of West Point Wharf, rebuilt..... 9,124.24

sundry debtors..... 101,686.65
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (unclaimed dividends)..... 10,187.00

cash on hand..... 63,113
value of coal on hand..... 3,701.87
value of timber, iron and stores on hand..... 30,509.38

\$4,730,515.76

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To interest on capital..... 10,203.07
To interim dividend..... 79,728.00

balance appropriated as follows:—
Directors' and Auditors' fees..... \$10,000.00
Final dividend..... 59,796.00

Transfer to depreciation and repairs account..... 90,000.00
Transfer to insurance fund..... 10,000.00

Amount carried to new account..... \$3,556.81

\$354,414.78

By balance from last account..... 3,479.91
net earnings for 1907..... 350,390.37

unclaimed dividends forfeited..... 90.00
transfer fees..... 169.00

\$354,414.78

DEPRECIATION AND REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

To ordinary repairs, renewals and improvements during 1907..... 29,731.88
To 1906 Typhoon repairs..... 56,614.96

To balance..... 29,300.55

\$115,652.49

By balance from last account..... 23,122.49
By transfer from profit and loss account..... 90,000.00

\$113,122.49

RESERVE FUND.

To balance..... \$350,000.00

By balance from last account..... 30,000.00
By transfer from profit and loss account..... 10,000.00

\$40,000.00

\$40,000.00

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

The ordinary meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, was held at the Hotel on Saturday. Mr. W. H. Potts was in the chair and there were also present:—The Hon. Mr. E. Osborne and Dr. Noble (Directors), Captain Clarke, Messrs. P. C. Potts, E. S. Radcliffe, J. Arnold, F. Maitland, E. D. Haskell, A. Turner, E. J. Chapman, Lo Cheung Shui, Chan Nam, and Mr. Mooney, Secretary.

The SECRETARY having read the notice convening the meeting,

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen, With your approval we will accept the report and accounts as read. It is with regret that we have again to place before you an account showing a further reduction in profits, the shortage being over \$18,000.00 as compared with the corresponding period of 1906. This is caused by the continued falling off in those departments which in previous years have proved the most profitable and to the unfortunate collapse of part of the side verandah of the East Wing in August last, depriving the Hotel of the use of many rooms.

There does not appear to be any prospect of an early increase in returns, although the falling off in bare etc. has for the moment ceased, we have now to suffer loss from a further decrease in the rooms available in the old building and in rents of shops vacated and to be vacated shortly. Considerable economy has been effected in the various departments and we expect to make large reductions in the coal bill as soon as the gas engines are working.

During the period under review three electric lifts have been installed, also telephones and fire alarm bells on each floor and one new gas engine is in good working order. Your Board have given a lot of time to the consideration of the best building to take the place of the old part of the Hotel and they hope in the next few months to place their recommendations before you when they will have to ask you for new capital. Three schemes were considered and the one finally recommended will I trust be adopted, as, when complete, your Hotel should be in a first class position to meet all requirements of residents and transients for many years to come. Until all tenders are received it is impossible for me to give a reliable estimate of the cost but I would remark that it is likely that the amount of new capital to be called up will exceed the 3 lacs mentioned by your chairman at the last general meeting of the company. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to reply to any questions to the best of my ability.

There being no questions,

The CHAIRMAN proposed and Mr. TURNER seconded, the adoption of the report, which was carried unanimously.

Captain CLARKE proposed the re-election of the Hon. Mr. E. Osborne as director. Mr. MAITLAND seconded, and the motion was carried.

On the motion of Mr. HASKELL seconded by Mr. P. C. Potts, Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe were re-elected auditors.

The CHAIRMAN—We are obliged for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready on application to the secretary.

DUBLIN JEWELS.

SIR ARTHUR VICARS'S DEFENCE: A NEW FIGURE.

The Dublin Crown Jewels mystery deepens in mysteriousness with the flood of correspondence which it has drawn from the parties chiefly concerned.

A new element has been introduced into the controversy in correspondence with Mr. Pierce O'Mahony, brother of Sir A. Vicars, the late Ulster King of Arms, has sent to the Press. There are in the letters vague references to association with a man of "very bad character."

From Sir Arthur Vicars's correspondence it appears that although Sir Arthur Vicars was dismissed primarily for negligence in the custody of the Crown Jewels, it was subsequently stated that there was another grave charge against him, namely, that he had associated with a man of very bad character.

Mr. Pierce O'Mahony states that Sir Arthur believed this man to be an honorable gentleman of means; that it was quite clear the man must have been in his ordinary conduct and bearing a gentleman, and not likely to attract suspicion, otherwise he would not have been on friendly and intimate terms with persons of high position.

Throughout the correspondence Mr. O'Mahony insists that Sir Arthur Vicars is justified in demanding a public inquiry, particularly seeing that Mr. Birrell, the Chief Secretary, on 2 Nov. made to Mr. O'Mahony "an infamous insinuation against my brother, which from that day to this he has had neither the manliness to formulate nor the honor to withdraw."

Sir Arthur Vicars, in a letter in which he refers to his brother's communication with the Press, criticises the commissioners' report, which he says is manifestly a one-sided statement.

"For example," he says, "the commissioners censure me severely for the position in which the safe was placed; but omit to mention the fact that the position was selected by the Board of Works, contrary to my original suggestion."

"They blame me for not depositing the jewels in a steel safe in the strong room, as provided by the statutes; but they omit to mention the fact that the provision in the statutes was inserted by me, in anticipation of the Board of Works's supplying the safe to fit into the strong room, which I had promised to supply."

"I am blamed for strange want of sense of responsibility, in not reporting immediately that the strong room door had been found open; but they omit to mention the fact that I was in connection with the royal visit, and that I was warned at the same time that nothing had been disturbed."

"I am censured for not depositing the keys of the safe with my bankers; but the commissioners omit to mention the fact that the jewels had frequently been taken out at night after banking hours, and looked up again at early hours in the morning, and they further omit to call attention to the fact that I had asked for a 'lock' which I could have had for a 'key' which I could have always carried in a ring on my finger."

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1908.

Another letter from Sir A. Vicars to the Under-Secretary for Ireland, says: In consequence of the statement contained in your letter of the 29th that my office has been legally and properly terminated, I waited to reply to your letter until I had an opportunity of seeing the "Gazette." On looking at it, I find that the letters of recall forwarded in your letter have apparently not been issued. I therefore maintain that I am still Ulster King of Arms, and that I have no power to hand over to you or any one else any property pertaining to my office. I take this opportunity of reminding you that a very large proportion of the books, manuscripts, and pictures are my personal property.

The Dublin "Evening Telegraph" gives prominence to a letter from "One in the Know," who claims that he knows "something of the inner working of this jewel mystery." He says: "I state, with all respect to the great abilities of Scotland-yard and Dublin detectives and to the investigation by the commissioners and their report, that the jewels were not taken away on the night of 5 July as the report states, for, as a matter of fact, they were removed some days previously by two gentlemen (?) who had become acquainted with the place with the locks of the doors and safes. Months before they had tested their keys, and these being correct they waited their opportunity and evaded it in the broad light of day, between two and three o'clock."

"I am further able to state that the missing jewels are still in the city of Dublin, but they will not be returned for the paltry reward of £10,000 which has been offered for their recovery. £10,000, I understand, with free pardon, is the sum that will be claimed in due time, and when those conditions are complied with, the jewels will be returned."

THE KING AND THE KILT.

King Edward VII. of England is determined to keep Scotland as Scotch as her people want her to be.

In this he shows his capacity as a diplomat and adds to his already tremendous popularity throughout the British empire.

It is all a question of kilts, or rather "kilts," as the Scotch term their gray and picturesque national garb.

Many years ago—in 1745, to be exact—the gallant Highland clans, who had been fighting more or less with England for several centuries, joined the rebellion raised by the Jacobites, the same given to the adherents of the male line of the house of Stuart. When the troops of the English crown overthrew the young pretender at Culloden in 1746 the Jacobite cause was crushed and an era of punishment was inaugurated England felt especially wroth with Scotland for the Highlanders' part in the uprising. So as a drastic measure of reproof the crown suppressed the Scotch language and customs, including the wearing of the famous kilts.

Of course these harsh measures were modified later and finally repealed, and Scotch kilts became as familiar among "the hills and heather" as oat cakes and Scotch whisky.

But even as the "Marseillaise" and the tricolor are inseparably associated by the French people with their struggle for liberty, so the kilts and the cherished customs of their land will always recall to the Scotch memories of their old-time heroes. It is with this thought in mind that King Edward, trusting the loyalty of the sturdy Scot, has encouraged a wave of revival of old Scotch customs which seems to be sweeping the land of Robert Burns.

All over Scotland the desire to restore the ways and manners of old is apparent. The younger generation is taking to the kilts and tartan and many are learning to play the bagpipes. Then, too, there is a noticeable increase among the rising generation of those who want to learn Gaelic.

The movement is particularly marked in the Scottish highlands, where the existence forms a curious comment on history, inasmuch as it was in these same haunts of Mar, now so loyal to the English crown, that the standard of the Jacobites was raised over a century and a half ago. The King's tenants at Balmoral, the Highlanders, and with their retainers they appear on various festive occasions in Highland garb carrying their Lochaber axes and the name of the pretender.

Recently they marched, led by the King's own commissioner.

Now King Edward has not only encouraged these revivals, but he and other members of the Royal Family take pains to be seen in kilts and full Scotch costume on many occasions. Recently he had posed for a number of portraits in Highland costume, while the Prince of Wales and his children took pains to stand before the clothed camera in similar garb. Of course, being photographed in kilts is not a new experience for the King, but the fact that he and his son have posed for a number of these pictures recently is worthy of note. If of this is appreciated by the Scotch, who love their land dearly, and stick tenaciously to their customs.

There is an interesting little side light on this which serves as additional evidence to show the King's desire to express his love for his Scotch subjects. It is said that the King does not take very kindly to short trousers, his Majesty feeling that his legs are not meant by nature for this sort of garb.

Casual observers of the Royal limbs see nothing wrong with them, but King Edward thinks he has a slight tendency to knock knees, and therefore he prefers long trousers.

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BEKANNTMACHUNG.

IM hiesigen Handelsregister, Abteilung A, Band I, ist unter Nr. 7 zu der Firma SIMSEN & Co. eingetragen worden:
Die Prokura des ALEXANDER MULLER ist erloschen.
WILHELM OTTO CHRISTIAN SPALCKHAVER in Hongkong;
HEINRICH LUDWIG MUEHLER in Hongkong;
PAUL ARTHUR FRIEDRICH KORSCHMIDT in Shanghai, und
LUDWIG FRIEDRICH RUDOLF LEISSING in Canton ist Prokura erhaltend.
KAISERLICH DEUTSCHES KON-ULAT.
Canton, den 5. März 1908. 502

P. & O. S. N. CO.

NOTICE.

UNDER instructions from the General Managers, M. F. J. ABBOTT, will be in charge of the Company's business at this Port, during my absence from the Colony on leave.
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1908. 503

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, on THURSDAY, the 26th March, 1908, at 11.30 A.M., to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1907, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th March, both days inclusive.
J. WISELEY,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1908. 504

NOTICE.

TENDERS are invited for the following AUSTRALIAN HARDWOOD SLEEPERS:
MURRY RED GUM
RED MAHOGANY
WHITE MAHOGANY
GREY BOX
TALLOW WOOD
BLACK BUTT
WHITE STRINGY BARK
RED STRINGY BARK
TURPENTINE
BLUE GUM
All in equal proportional Quantities.
QUANTITY:—80,000.
SIZE:—8 ft. by 9 in. by 5 in.
Delivery:—Half at end of July and balance end August, 1908 c.f.i. Wongsah Railway Wharf.
Tenders must be accompanied by \$500 and will be opened at Railway Head Office at 2 P.M. on 21st of March, 1908. Specification and Form of Tender will be sent to any who desire to tender by applying to the Engineer-in-Chief's Office. The Company is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

THE YUEH-HAN RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.
Canton, 7th March, 1908. 505

NOTICE.

TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY of Three Thousand Tons of 85 lbs. STEEL RAILS of American Standard Section and fastenings of both American and European manufacture to be delivered along side of Railway Wharf at Wongsah not later than the end of August. Plans of the Rail Section and Specification of same will be given to any who intend to tender by applying to the Engineer-in-Chief's Office, Wongsah, Canton. Tenders will be opened in the Railway Company's Head Office at Canton, on the 1st of April at 2 P.M. All tenders must be accompanied by 500 dollars.
Tenders in Hongkong Currency net will only be accepted. The Company is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.
THE YUEH-HAN RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.
Canton, 7th March, 1908. 506

SINGON & CO.

IRON, STEEL, METAL and HARDWARE MERCHANTS. Wholesale and Retail Ironmongers. Pig Iron and Foundry. Coke Importers. General Storekeepers and Shipchangers. 35 & 37, HING LOON STREET, (2nd Street, west of Central Market) Telephone No. 515.

NOTICE.

HOOSAINALI & CO. beg to inform their Customers and the Public that a REAL CLEARANCE SALE at Cash Lowest Prices will be held in their Establishment from the 2nd to 14th March.
Inspection is cordially invited.
HOOSAINALI & CO.,
25, Queen's Road Central, Under Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1908. 457

CLEARANCE SALE.

WE are holding a Cheap Sale to Clear part of our old stock, for 14 days only, from 4th to 18th March, comprising:
Glassware, Crockery, Enamel, Electro Plated Ware, Marble, Cloves, Iron and Brass Bedsteads, Consoles, Down Quilt, Carpets, Door Mats, Rugs, Table Cloths, &c., &c., must be sold to make room for new and complete stock.
Reduction on above mentioned Goods, of 25 per cent. cash on delivery.
A. TACK & CO.,
26, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1908. 483

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

THE TRADE-MARK ORDINANCE, 1908.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JOHN DEWAR & SONS, LIMITED, of Glasgow Road, Perth, Scotland and of Dewar's Wharf, Waterloo Bridge, London, has on the 4th October, 1907 applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of Trade Marks of the following TRADE MARK:



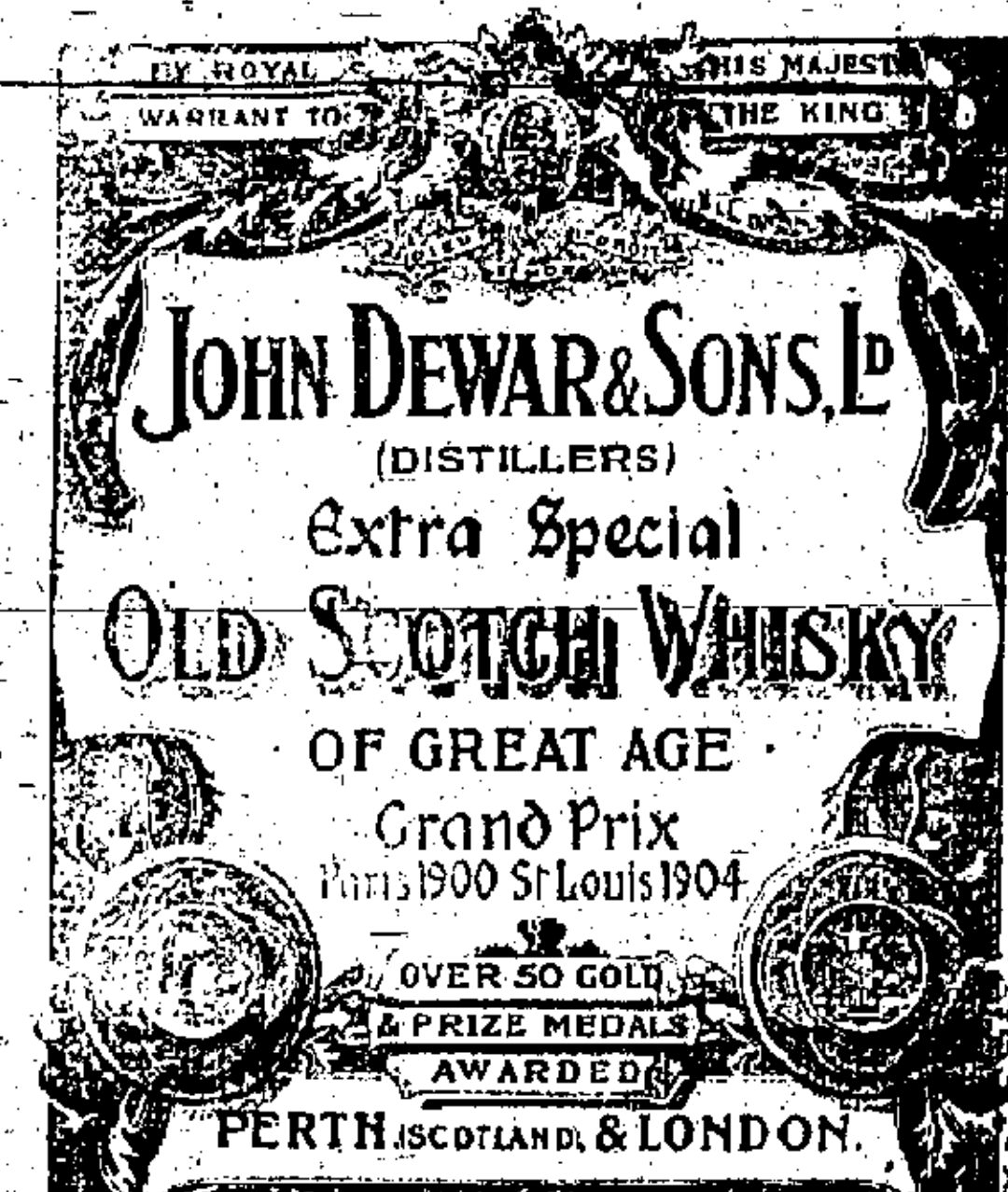
in the name of JOHN DEWAR & SONS, LIMITED, who claim to be Sole Proprietors thereof. The Trade Mark has been used by the applicants in respect of the following Goods:—namely WHISKY IN CRAS 43.
A Facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and also at the Office of the Undersigned.
Dated the 6th day of March, 1908.

BRUTTON & HETT,
Nos. 39, 41 and 43 Des Voeux Road, Victoria, Hongkong,
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NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. EDWARD NISSIM to Sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this Date.
E. D. SASSOON & CO.
Hongkong, 6th March 1908. 497

I have this Day RESUMED CHARGE of the Hongkong Branch of the above Company.
W. H. TRENCHARD DAVIS,
Branch Manager & Underwriter.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1908. 498

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the Hongkong Hotel on SATURDAY, 14th March at 8 o'clock P.M. Devonian wishing to attend are requested to send their names to:
M. S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary,
Care of Hongkong Club.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1908. 499

WANTED.

First-class SHORTHAND REPORTER Permanent position and Good Salary to Suitable Man.
Apply to— "BOX 222"
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1908. 468

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POSTAGE STAMPS in Bags, Packets, Sets, &c., &c. and All other Philatelic Goods
CAM. AT—
GRACA & CO.,
Hongkong Hotel Corridor.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1908. 119

SANG MOW, RATTAN AND GRASS FURNITURE MAKER.
CHAIRS, TABLES, SETTEES & LONG CHAIRS.
BAMBOO BLINDS, MATTINGS in all colours on Sale.
All Orders receive prompt attention.
46, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1908. 491

WE have been favoured with instructions to offer on WEDNESDAY, the 18th March, 1908, THE SCHOONER YACHT "PLANET PILGRIM" (Owner, C. F. STANHOPE BILBOUGH) now lying stranded on the shore of Hailan Island.
Lat. 25° 35' N., Long. 119° 50' E.
The approximate measurements of the vessel are as follows:
Length 75 ft., Breadth 23 ft., depth 10 ft. The Sails, Gear, etc., are stored at Manoi Dock, Pagoda Anchorage and may be viewed on application to Captain F. ASHTON, A. catalogue will be issued. The Purchaser of the vessel will have the option of purchasing the gear in one lot otherwise it will be offered in lots as per Catalogue. The Purchaser or Purchasers will be responsible to the I. M. Customs for the duty thereon which will be levied in accordance with our Account Sales.
H. S. BRAND & CO.,
Auctioneers.
Fochow, 29th February 1908. 474

ENTERTAINMENT

THEATRE ROYAL.

TO-NIGHT

MAURICE E. BANDMANN
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HENRY DALLAS
AND THE
BANDMANN
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Monday, Mar. 9:
The Great Success
"A RUNWAY GIRL"
From the Gaiety Theatre, London.
Tuesday, Mar. 10: MISS HOOK OF HOLLAND
Wednesday, Mar. 11: THE NEW ALLADIN
Thursday, Mar. 12: THE DAUGHTERS
Friday, Mar. 13: THE DAUGHTERS
Saturday, Mar. 14: A CHINESE HONEYMOON
Prices: \$3, \$2, and \$1.
Seats can be booked at Messrs. MOUTRIE & CO'S.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1908. 384

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO. LIMITED.
THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Undersigned at 12.30 P.M. TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), 10th March.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February to the 10th March, 1908, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.
General Managers.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.,
Hongkong, 18th February, 1908. 387

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LD.
THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Hongkong Hotel on SATURDAY, 14th day of March, 1908, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, and electing Director and Auditor.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th until 14th instant, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN L. ANDERSON,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1908. 491

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, 6, Cornhill Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 21st March, 1908, at Noon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1907, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditor.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 18th March to SATURDAY, the 21st March, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1908. 492

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LD.
NOTICE.
THE THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 26th March at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1907.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th March, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1908. 500

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LD.
NOTICE.
THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 26th March at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1907.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to 26th March, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1908. 501

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.
LOST.
FIVE CERTIFICATES of 100 Shares each standing in the Register of this Company in the name of HOHEY SUN have been LOST.
Scrip No. 1801—60401/60100—100 Shares
" " 1802—60111/60100—100 "
" " 1803—60101/60100—100 "
" " 1804—60301/60400—100 "
" " 18 5—60401/60500—100 "
500 Shares
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Duplicate Certificates for the said 500 Shares will be issued one month hence, and that the Original Certificates, unless produced within that period, will thereafter be held by the Company as Null and Void.
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1908. 406

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE
MRS. GILLANDERS
"CLAREMONT"
2 & 4, KENNEDY ROAD.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1907. 1360

BANKS

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID UP—Sh. Tash 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
Berlin, Hamburg, Calcutta, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Tientsin, Tsingtau, Kobe, Yokohama, Singapore.

Founded by the following Banks and Bankers:
KONIGLICHE SACHSENISCHE (SACHSISCHE) STAATSBANK Berlin.
DISCONTINUED DISCOUNT-GESSELLSCHAFT
DEUTSCHE BANK S. BISMARCKRODE
BERLINER HANDELS-GESELLSCHAFT
BANK LUKE HANDEL UND INDUSTRIE
ROBERT WACHSMAUTH & CO. MÜNCHEN
M. A. VON ROTHSCHILD & SOHN
JACOB S. H. STERN
NORDDEUTSCHE BANK IN HAMBURG, HAMBURG
SAL. OPPENHEIM, JR. & CO., KÖLN.
HAMBURGER HYPOTHEKEN UND WECHSELBANK, MÜNCHEN.

London Bankers:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SON;
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENT
DISCONTINUED DISCOUNT-GESSELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account, DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

A. KOHN,
Manager.
Hongkong, 4th December, 1907. 24

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.
(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853, HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.)
PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000
RESERVE FUND £1,475,000
RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS £1,200,000
INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.
for 6 " 3 1/2 "
for 3 " 3 "
JOHN ARMSTRONG,
Manager.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1908. 475

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID-UP £562,500
RESERVE FUND £170,000
BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 12 months ... 4 per cent.
For 6 " ... 3 1/2 per cent.
For 3 " ... 3 per cent.
EVAN ORMISTON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1907. 26

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.
CAPITAL PAID-UP Yen 24,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS " 15,500,000
BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
Tokyo, Kobe, Osaka, Nagasaki, London, Lyons, San Francisco, Honolulu, New York, Shanghai, Hankow, Canton, Tientsin, Peking, Yenchow, Port Arthur, Antung, Lianyung, Mukden, Tientsin, Chang Chun.
HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months 5 per cent.
" " " 4 1/2 "
" " " 4 "
TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 25th September 1907. 560

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-MAATSCHAPPIJ.
(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY).
ESTABLISHED 1824.
PAID UP CAPITAL FL. 45,000,000 (\$3,750,000)
RESERVE FUND " FL. 5,378,375 (\$443,000)
HEAD OFFICE: AMSTERDAM.
BRANCHES:—Singapore, Penang, Shanghai, Bangkok, Batavia, Sourabaya, Cheribon, Tegal, Peking, Hongkong, Tientsin, Radja, (Achen) Bandjermasin, Kota, Correspondents at: Macassar, Bombay, Colombo, Madras, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Hankow, Amoy, Yokohama, Kobe, Melbourne, Sydney, New York, San Francisco, &c., &c.
LONDON BANKERS:—
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.
The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and Correspondents in the East, on the Continent, and in Great Britain, America, and Australia, and transacts Banking Business of every description.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances.
On Fixed Deposits 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 1/2 "
J. L. VAN HOUTEN, Agent.
Hongkong, 18th November, 1907. 25

BANKS

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application. INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option balances \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th January 1907. 21

NEDERLANDSCH-INDISCHE HANDELSBANK
(NETHERLANDS INDIA COMMERCIAL BANK)
ESTABLISHED 1863.
Authorized Capital FL. 15,000,000 (\$1,250,000)
Subscribed Capital FL. 10,000,000 (\$833,333)
Reserve Fund FL. 2,112,570.98 (\$176,049)
HEAD OFFICE: AMSTERDAM.
SUB-OFFICE: THE HAGUE.
HEAD AGENCY: BATAVIA.
BRANCHES at: Singapore, Sourabaya, Samarang, Indramajoe, Bandong and Weltevreden.
CORRESPONDENTS at: Cheribon, Tegal, Poelangan, Macassar, Pontianak, Padang, Medan, Penang, Rangoon, Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Colombo, Karachi, Djeddah, Bagkok, Saigon, Shanghai.

BANKERS:
THE WILLIAMS DIACONS BANK, SWISS BANKING, PARIS.
COMPTOIR NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.
BERLIN: DEUTSCHE BANK.
BRUSSELS: BANQUE DE PARIS ET DES PAYS BAS.
VIENNA: UNION BANK.
ROME: BANCA COMMERCIALE ITALIANA.

THE BANK buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit payable in all important places of the World and transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the Rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the Daily Balances.
On Fixed Deposits: 12 months 4 per cent.
" 6 " 3 1/2 "
" 3 " 3 "
J. BOETTJE, Manager.
No. 16, Des Voeux Road Central.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED
(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER)
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 5,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 3,750,000
HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.
BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
Amoy, Anping, Fochow, Keelung, Swatow, Taipei, Tainan, Tamsui, Tokyo, Yokohama.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
3, DES VOEUX ROAD.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts Deposits received on terms which may be on application.
D. TOLLDOV, Manager.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1907. 4730

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.
Fiscal Agents of the United States in China, the Philippine Islands, and the Republic of Panama.
CAPITAL PAID UP ... Gold \$3,250,000
RESERVE FUND ... " about Mex. \$7,222,222
RESERVE FUND ... " Gold \$2,250,000
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NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND LIMITED.
THE CAPITAL & COUNTRIES BANK, LIMITED
BRANCHES AND AGENTS all over the World.
The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money—Current Account at the Rate of 2 1/2 per annum on Daily balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:
For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 " 4 "
For 3 " 3 "
No. 9, Queen's Road, Central, Hongkong.
W. M. ANDERSON,
Manager.
Hongkong 24th January, 1908. 246

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS:—
STERLING \$1,500,000 at 2/—=\$12,500,000
SILVER ... \$13,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$15,000,000
COURT OF DIRECTORS:
Hon. Mr. HENRY KESWICK, Chairman.
E. GONZ, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
G. Friedland, Esq., E. Shalim, Esq., A. Fuchs, Esq., E. Shewan, Esq., C. S. Gubbay, Esq., H. A. W. Slade, Esq., C. E. Lowmann, Esq., J. E. Tomkins, Esq., G. H. Medhurst, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGERS
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH
SHANGHAI—H. B. R. HUNTER
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1908. 20

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AMIGO, German str., 321, Franden, 7th March—
Haiphong March 3rd, and Hoihow 5th.
Rice and General—Jebens & Co.
CAITHNESS, British str., 2322, Taylor, 8th
March—Seattle 21st Jan., Mororan 25th
Feb., West—Rennie & Co.
CAPRI, Italian str., 2718, Pedone, 8th March—
Bombay 17th Feb. and Singapore 1st March.
General—Carlowitz & Co.
FURST BISMARCK, German cruiser, 10,800,
Wormbach, 7th March—Balik Pappa
2nd March.
HAICHING, British str., 1,267, A. E. Hodgins,
8th March—Coast Ports 7th March.
General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
IYO MARU, Japanese str., 3,918, Wm. Thompson,
8th March—Japan and Shanghai 5th
March, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
KANGAROO, British str., 1,225, A. Scott, 8th
March—Wuhu 4th March, Rice—Butterfield
& Swire.
KWEIYANG, British str., 1,044, M. Dowson, 8th
March—Shanghai 3rd March, General—
Butterfield & Swire.
MANILA, German str., 1,108, F. Minssen, 8th
March—Sydney 11th Feb. via Manila 5th
March, General—Melchers & Co.
NERITE, Dutch str., 1,458, H. Westers, 7th
March—Singapore 29th Feb., Oil in Bulk
Meyer & Co.
NIOS, German str., 2,800, Sangemank, 7th
March—Balk 2nd March.
SHANGHAI, British str., 7th March—Canton.
SINGAPORE, British str., 1,047, F. Jamieson, 6th
March—Haiphong March 2nd, and Hoihow
5th—Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
SOSU MARU, Japanese str., 1,119, T. Suruga,
8th March—Shanghai via Fuchow, Amoy
and Fuzhou 7th March, General—Osaka
Shosen Kaisha.
TIANTE, German str., 308, O. Koch, 7th March—
Hankow and Kichang 28th Feb.
Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire.

DEPARTURES.

DELTA, British str., 1,200, Europe, & Co.
HOIHOW, German str., for Canton.
IDOMENEUS, British str., for Shanghai.
INABA MARU, Japanese str., for Yokohama.
KOWLOON, British str., for Tientsin.
KANGAROO, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
MINOR, British str., for Manila.
MONDOLIA, British str., for San Francisco.
SLAVONIA, German str., for Singapore.
WONGKONG, German str., for Swatow.
YUENSANG, British str., for Manila.
8th March.
CHONGHONG, British str., for Swatow.
CRONBERG, German str., for Swatow.
FEL, German str., for Saigon.
HONORER, British str., for Amoy.
JOHN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
KENNEDY, British str., for Manila & New York.
KWEIYANG, British str., for Canton.
LANGHONG, British str., for Ningpo.
MIYORI MARU, Japanese str., for Singapore.
NERITE, Dutch str., for Canton.
PITCHAMUR, German str., for Hoihow.
PITSAVNIK, German str., for Swatow.
TAIWAN, British str., for Saigon.
TELMACHUS, British str., for Saigon.
TRIUMPH, German str., for Quibdon.
TUNGSHING, British str., for Swatow.
Zafre, British str., for Manila.

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Borogoon, Cypriot, Loyal, Man del, Empress of
China, Clara Jela.
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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING."

Capt. A. E. Hodgins, will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 10th inst.,
at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to
DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1908. 495

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APOAR."

Captain W. D. A. Thomas, will be despatched
for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the
10th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1908. 476



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Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS,

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THE Company's Steamship, (6,000 tons)

"VOERWAERTS."

Capt. B. Bednarz, will be despatched as above

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passengers, electric light and carries a qualified

doctor and stewardess.

For information as to Passage and Freight

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SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents.

Princes Buildings,
Hongkong, 29th February, 1908. 3

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"GLENLOCHY."

Captain E. J. Stallard, will be despatched as

above on WEDNESDAY, the 25th March.

For Freight apply to

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1907. 493

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into 4 Sections common flag from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's 2 From Harbour Master's to Blakes Pier. 3 From Blakes Pier to Naval Yard 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & REG.	FLAG & REG.	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & C. VIA SWALF PORTS OF CALL...	MARMORA	Brit. str.	—	G. H. C. Weston, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 21st inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GERMLOCHY	Brit. str.	—	E. J. Stallard	McGregor Bros. & Gow	On 25th inst.
LONDON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	Charbonnel	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About 31st inst.
MARSEILLES, C. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	LORAIN	Brit. str.	—	S. J. G. Parsons	Messageries Maritimes	On 17th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE & C.	SANUKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. J. Fox	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	NUEVA	Brit. str.	—	Porcelius	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 11th inst.
MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG & C.	HONENSTADT	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 25th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN	CATHAY	Ger. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	End of March.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE & C.	TRANQUEBAR	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	Beginning of April.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, & C.	AWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. E. Cope	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 1st April, at D'light
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, & C.	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Haase	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 15th inst.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGERES, GIBRALTAR & C.	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Miller	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 2nd April.
TRIESTE, & C. VIA SINGAPORE, & C.	GOEBEN	Ger. str.	—	B. Wilhelm	MELCHERS & Co.	On 11th inst., at Noon.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	VOERWAERTS	Brit. str.	—	B. Bednarz	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	About 16th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, & C.	SAINT PATRICK	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	On 12th inst., at 4 P.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, & C.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	LENNOX	Brit. str.	—	—	DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.	On 17th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, WASH., & C.	TRIMONT	Am. str.	—	T. W. Garlick	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, WASH., & C.	IYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Wm. Thompson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst., at D'light
CALLAO ANTIQUQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS, & C.	KASATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. S. Lapraik	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	First half of April.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	D. Mori	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 20th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	K. Homma	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	MANILA	Ger. str.	—	J. Minssen	MELCHERS & Co.	On 26th inst., at 5 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA TIMOR, PORT DARWIN & C.	ADENHAM	Brit. str.	—	St. John George	UBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIRO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. L. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th April, at Noon.
VLADIVOSTOCK	KORONA	Rus. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 12th inst.
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	KANAKAWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at D'light
FUKUOKA AND KOBE	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	W. von Sanden	MELCHERS & Co.	About 3rd April.
YAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIRO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst., at Noon.
NEWCHOW	THIBODA	Dut. str.	—	Zwart	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
CHEFOO	KWITANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Dowson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	KALGAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	SHANSI	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	SOSU MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Suruga	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI	CHOYANG	Jap. str.	—	Lishman	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	To-morrow, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HANGHONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Mawley	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE	PRINZESS ALICE	Ger. str.	—	G. Racker	MELCHERS & Co.	About 11th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	TOHO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Winckler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	LUKOW	Brit. str.	—	W. E. Sawyer	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 13th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	FOCHOW	Brit. str.	—	S. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 20th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	MAITA	Brit. str.	—	Jonan	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, CHINGWANG, JAPAN, AMERICA & C.	CEYLAN	Brit. str.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 24th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	LANGBANK	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 28th inst.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PERA	Brit. str.	—	W. W. Cooke, R.N.R.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SILESTA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Bahle	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HAICHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	A. E. Hodgins	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SINGAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Jamieson	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 13th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TEAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	S. J. Payne	SHAWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 14th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	LUONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	R. Almond	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 20th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	T. Meyrick	SHAWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 21st inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TUNSONG	Brit. str.	—	Rodger	SHAWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 20th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	1 m.	Mathias	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	BOONRO	Ger. str.	—	F. Semblil	MELCHERS & Co.	End of March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CARBI	Ital. str.	—	Pedone	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On 12th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YOSHIMI MARU	Jap. str.	—	B. Kon	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst., P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CATHERINE APCAR	Brit. str.	—	W. D. A. Thomas	DAVID SASSOON & Co., LTD.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KUTSANG	Brit. str.	—	Bradley	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 17th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TIJAHIA	Dut. str.	—	de Brouwer	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.

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ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	On 21st March, Noon.

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Hongkong, 8th March, 1908.

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AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND

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"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 12th March...	30th March
"LENNOX"	3,700	WEDNESDAY, 25th March...	23rd April
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 9th April...	27th April
"MONTEAGLE"	6,183	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April...	16th May
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,000	THURSDAY, 7th May...	25th May
"GLENFARG"	3,700	WEDNESDAY, 20th May...	18th June

* S.S. "LENNOX" and "GLENFARG" are Freighters only and do not carry Passengers.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
VLADIVOSTOCK	"CURONIA"	On 12th March.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE	"CATHAY"	End of March.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE	"TRANQUEBAR"	Beg. of April.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE	"TRANQUEBAR"	End of April.

For Further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
Hongkong, 6th March, 1908. 6

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

OSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA

VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers. Tons. Captain. Sailing Date.

* TREMONT	9,606	T. W. Garlick	On 17th March.
* SUVERIC	6,232	W. Shotton	On 9th April.
* KUMERIC	6,232	Cowley	On 2nd May.

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Hongkong, 23th February, 1908. 8

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TICKETS ISSUED TO ALL PART

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, and NUBIA	ANTWERP	About 11th March	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	MALTA	About 20th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON via Usual Ports	MARMORA	Next 21st March	See Special of Call.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	PERA	About 24th March	Freight only.

For further Particulars, apply to

F. J. ABBOTT,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1908.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, HOBART, LAUNCESTON, NEW ZEALAND, MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, and PERTH	"TAIYUAN"	On 9th Mar., 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"SHANSI"	On 9th Mar., 4 p.m.
HONGKONG and HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 10th Mar., 10 a.m.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 10th Mar., 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"HANGCHOW"	On 11th Mar., 4 p.m.
CHEFOO	"KALGAN"	On 12th Mar., 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"LUCHOW"	On 14th Mar., 4 p.m.
NEWCHWANG	"KWEIYANG"	On 14th Mar., 4 p.m.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KALFONG"	On 20th Mar., 4 p.m.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to—

HONGKONG, 8th March, 1908.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAHU	JAVA	First half of March	JAVA PORTS	Second half of March
TJIBODAS	JAVA	First half of March	JAPAN	First half of March
TJILATJAP	JAVA	Second half of March	JAVA PORTS	Second half of March
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	Second half of March	JAVA PORTS	Second half of March
TJIKINI	JAPAN	Second half of March	JAVA PORTS	Second half of March
TJILIWONG	JAVA	First half of April	JAPAN	First half of April

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports or through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

Yok Buildings, 1st Floor, Hongkong, 1st March, 1908.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. (THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES 1908.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	SANUKI MARU, Tons 6112, Capt. S. J. G. Farrows	WED. DAY, 18th March, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, HONGKONG, and SEATTLE, WASH., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	AWA MARU, Tons 6308, Capt. F. B. Cope	WED. DAY, 1st April, at Daylight.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, and BRISBANE	IKO MARU, Tons 6320, Capt. Wm. Thompson	TUESDAY, 17th March, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI and KOBE	KAGA MARU, Tons 6301, Capt. G. S. Lupton	TUESDAY, 31st March, at Daylight.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU, Tons 3818, Capt. K. Homms	FRIDAY, 27th March, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, COLOMBO	NIKKO MARU, Tons 5539, Capt. T. L. Harrison	FRIDAY, 17th April, at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TOTOMI MARU, Tons 3412, Capt. M. Winkler	THURSDAY, 12th March, at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU, Tons 5539, Capt. T. Harrison	WED. DAY, 18th March, at Noon.
	YEBOSHI MARU, Tons 4907, Capt. B. Kon	WED. DAY, 18th March, at Noon.
	KAMAKURA MARU, Tons 6126, Capt. H. Fraser	SATURDAY, 21st March, at Daylight.

† Cargo only.
† Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Nagasaki and Yokohama, 1st and 2nd Class through Passengers have the option of travelling by Rail.
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Hongkong, 8th March, 1908.

T. KUSUMOTO,

MANAGER.

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CIE. DES CHARGEURS REUNIS, ROUND THE WORLD LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI, CHINWANTAO, TIENTSIN AND PEKING; KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PACIFIC COAST BUENOS AYRES, MONTEVIDEO, without transshipment.

S. S. "CEYLAN,"

Capt. JOHAN.

due here on or about SUNDAY, 15th March, will be despatched a few days later.

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REDUCED RATES OF PASSAGE AND FREIGHT.

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1908.

J. MILLET, AGENT,

FRENCH MAIL OFFICE.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAV. CO. LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR SHANGHAI, CHINWANTAO, TIENTSIN AND PEKING; KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PACIFIC COAST BUENOS AYRES, MONTEVIDEO, without transshipment.

RETURN TOUR TO JAPAN AND BACK. OCCUPYING 24 DAYS.

The steamers "KIANG," "NAMANG," and "POWANG" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama (via Inland Sea), returning via Kobe and Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay of 5 to 6 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe. These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1908.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES S.S. "POLYNESIE," COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or s.s. "Medoa," "Cordouan," and "Dordogne" from Bordeaux ex s.s. "Ville d'Arras" and "Ville de Dunkerque" in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns and or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong Godown Co., Ltd. at Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon To-day, requesting it to be landed.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining undelivered after MONDAY, the 9th March, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 9th March, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 9th March, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. MILLET, Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1908.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer.

"MARMORA,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex s.s. Molavia.
From Persian Gulf ex B. I. S. N. and R. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 11th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1908.

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